

CITY OF MAROA MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 24, 2015

CITY HALL

7:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clerk Edwards. Roll call taken by Clerk Edwards. Aldermen Peart, Wilkey, Edwards, Kissinger, Underwood, Sims, and Mayor Agee were present.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Clerk Edwards states that there are no July minutes to present as the recorders were with the attorney and not returned to the Clerk until tonight.

Police Report

Chief Wilkey is present. Chief Wilkey states that there is no police activity report tonight, his laptop is not working properly. Chief discussed his attendance at the meeting in Jacksonville with Congressman Davis. Discussion about the use body cameras and what is required. Chief Wilkey states that the Harvest Festival is set for 9.26.2015 with the 5K in the morning. Runners will run the route they usually use. The rest of the activities are not until the evening. They will begin at 4 pm. Alderman Wilkey states The Fall in Love with Maroa would like to request to have the Harvest Festival again this year. It will start at 4 pm. There will be a beer tent and band, a couple food vendors. Beer tent 4-10:30 pm, Band from 5-10 pm, Fall in Love with Maroa group will pay for the additional police officer. They would like to block off the streets from Crawford's to Bank drive thru on Main and North on Walnut to the apartments and South on Walnut to the apartments. Chief Wilkey will work with the County to get the additional officer set up. The Fall in Love with Maroa group also request that they be allowed to upgrade the power on the 2 poles on Walnut Street to 30 amp at their cost. Council agrees it is okay to upgrade. Alderman Edwards makes a motion to okay the 9.26.2015 Harvest Festival, seconded by Alderman Wilkey. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Attorney Report

Attorney Antoline is present. Attorney Antoline discusses tax increases for utility tax. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept Ordinance 08-24-2015-1 with stated changes in rate, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Attorney Antoline discusses ordinance violations that were in court.

Engineer's Report

Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, is not present.

Zoning/Public Works

Mike Hoffman, Superintendent, is present. Superintendent Hoffman discusses the Variance request by Mr. Clifton. We will have a meeting regarding this on September 8, 2015.

Old Business

Maple park fines were tabled until the next meeting.

New Business

Superintendent Hoffman discusses the dump truck. Alderman Edwards makes a motion to approve buying 2001 dump truck, painted and trade in the old one, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Alderwoman Underwood states she spoke to Superintendent Hoffman and he would like to hire Tim Beals to read the water meters monthly. Superintendent Hoffman states that he trained Tim and did well doing the job. It will be approximately 20-25 hours a month. Winter time may be a little more than that. Alderwoman Underwood makes a motion to approve the hiring of Tim Beals as a meter reader at \$10 an hour, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Clerk Edwards asks the council would like to have trick or treat hours on Saturday, October 31, 2015. Alderman Edwards makes a motion to have trick or treat hours from 4-8 pm on October 31, 2015, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Citizen Comments

Richard Young asks what was found out about the weeds on the property next to Dollar General. Sergeant Gaddy states that Dollar General owns it and a letter has been sent to them. Mr. Young asks about the old Coastal. Mayor Agee states that we are still waiting on the EPA. Attorney Antoline states he will start calling the EPA and try to get them moving.

Superintendent Hoffman asks about the satellite equipment. Clerk Edwards states that there is a gentleman that would like the opportunity to bid on the removal of the satellite dishes when it comes to that.

Mr. Young asks about the trailer park, Maple Park. The trailer has been moved but not done anything else. Superintendent Hoffman states that the trailer was moved to where it is at now to give the owner a hint that it has to go. Mr. Young is concerned that it is not tied down and is a hazard if there is a storm. Sergeant Gaddy is sending a letter.

Alderman Kissinger discusses solicitors in town.

Committee reports

Bills

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a look at the bills. Clerk Edwards states that she does not have any to add tonight. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Executive Session

Mayor Agee asks Attorney Antoline if he needs executive session, Attorney Antoline states that he does. Alderman Kissinger makes a motion to move to executive session, seconded by Alderman Wilkey. All council members present vote aye, motion passed. Moved to executive session at 8:40 pm. Alderman Edwards and Clerk Edwards are asked to leave. Treasurer Peters was asked to leave the session also.

Adjourn



Diane L. Edwards, City Clerk